SUBJECT No. 12.

Prevention of cattle lifting.

Mr. Nadig Bhima Rao, Channagiri taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The foreign dealers in hides are increasing day by day. To prevent cattle lifting by wicked people for the sake of hides, it was proposed to frame a regulation to place the trade in hides under proper control and a draft proposal was submitted as ordered. But nothing has yet been done. It is therefore prayed that early orders may be passed giving effect to the proposal.

The Dewan asked the members to say if any of them were against the introduction of the Regulation. No one was against the proposal.

Reply of Government.—Under consideration.

SUBJECT No. 13.

Over-loading of carts.

Mr. M. Subba Rao, Heggaddevankote taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Carts are often over-loaded with timber. This involves not only cruelty to animals, but also occasionally obstruction to traffic by the over-loaded carts breaking down in the way. Hence a law may be enacted to the effect that carts may not be loaded beyond a certain weight or beyond the capacity of the bullocks that are employed to drag them.

Reply of Government.—The police will be asked to enforce the provisions of the Mysore Police Regulation, 1908.

SUBJECT No. 14.

Prohibition of beggary.

Messrs. B. Hanumappa, G. Rajappa and Siddavirappa, Bangalore city municipal council.

Summary of discussion.—A law prohibiting beggary may be introduced into the State and an institution opened for the infirm, old, and decrepit.

The Dewan asked for the opinion of the Representative Assembly members. Votes were taken and except 5 all the rest were for introducing a Regulation for regulating street begging.

Reply of Government.—Noted for consideration.

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SUBJECT No. 15.

Honorary Bench Magistrates.

Mr. N. Bheema Rao, Chitaldrug municipality.

Summary of discussion.—The system of trying criminal cases by a Bench of Magistrates may be extended to all District Headquarters.

Reply of Government.—Government are considering the question of increasing such courts.

SUBJECT No. 16.

Separation of Judicial from Executive functions.

Messrs. Suryanarayana Rao, Tumkur taluk, and Ramanujiengar, Gubbi taluk, B. Narasinga Rao, Seringapatam taluk, and N. Bheema Rao, Chitaldrug municipality.

Summary of discussion.—The Revenue and the Criminal functions have been vested in one and the same officer. It is feared that this arrangement not only causes much inconvenience to parties but also prevents them from obtaining justice. Criminal work may therefore be separated from Revenue functions.

As the Amildars cannot, amidst their multifarious duties, satisfactorily discharge their magisterial work, Stationary Magistrates may be appointed for the purpose and to these may be assigned any other additional work, if necessary, or the number of Munsiffs may be increased and they may be put in charge of both the civil and criminal work of two taluks.

Mr. B. Narasinga Rao added that the cost involved in the proposal would not be prohibitive as it might come up only to Rs. 50,000 which could be reduced if necessary.

Reply of Government.—Noted. This is mainly a question of funds.

SUBJECT No. 17.

Weights and measures.

(*a*) Mr. K. Krishna Iyer, Commercial Association, Bangalore.

(*b*) Messrs. A. Narasimhaiya, Malavalli taluk, Amble Anniah Pandit, Mysore city municipal council, and V. Rangaswamiengar, Seringapatam taluk.

Summary of discussion.—(*a*) It is prayed that uniform weights and measures may be supplied throughout the State so as to enable speedy enforcement of the provisions of the Regulation.

The measures now supplied under the Weights and Measures Regulation, being made of soft metal, their capacity may be either increased or decreased according to circumstances, giving room to the perpetration of fraud. It is therefore prayed that measures may be ordered to be made of bell-metal as was done before, and that only in the Central Jail.

(*b*) Though the Weights and Measures Regulation was passed long ago the old measures and weights still remain in use with the result that people are sustaining heavy loss. It is therefore necessary that a notification should be issued throughout the Mysore State specifying the date from which such measures and weights should be used.

Each taluk should be supplied with 500 sets of weights and measures and the Mysore town should be supplied with 1,000 sets. The capacity of *kolagas* should also be regulated.

Reply of Government.—The Director of Industries and Commerce and the Public Works Secretary will discuss the whole question and make arrangements to secure the required number of weights and measures within a few months from now.

The question of stamping weights and measures manufactured by private individuals will also be considered.

SUBJECT No. 18.

Intimation of attachment orders passed in civil suits to be given to Sub-Registrars.

Mr. K. V. Nanjunda Setti, Seringapatam municipality.

Withdrawn.